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JAP BOMBERS OVER EAST BENGAL

Two Enemy Planes Shot Down And Two Damaged: Some Casualties Among Service Personnel

NEW DELHI, December 26: An India Command Press Communique says. "In a light attack by Japanese bombers over an area in East Bengal on Monday night, Eastern Air Command night fighters shot down two enemy aircraft into the sea and damaged two others.

"Our planes suffered no loss or damage, but some casualties were caused among Service personnel."

NEW G.-O.-C. OF EASTERN COMMAND

Liet.-Gen. Sir Richard N. O'Connor, has been appointed General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Eastern Command, in succession to Gen. Sir Mosley Mayne, who has been selected for an appointment in the United Kingdom.

REPATRIATION OF BR. SERVICE PERSONNEL

The following 'communique' has been issued by General Headquarters, India:—

It is the War Office's intention to maintain the qualifying period of overseas service for repatriation for British troops in the India and Sea Command after 31st December, 1944 at approximately four years or a few months less. This is of course subject to operational requirements as determined by the course of the war and is liable to amendment at short notice.

In the immediate future it will not be possible for officers of certain arms to be returned to the U. K. at the same rate as other ranks.

These conditions apply to officers and other ranks of the British Service attached to Indian Army Units as well as to those actually serving with British Units. The reservation regarding officers applies to both officers and British other ranks serving with East and West African Forces. —A. P.

Allies Continue Advance In Burma

KANDY, Dec. 26: S.E.A.S. Communique to-day states:

"FOURTEENTH ARMY: Our troops continued their advance along the Shwegyin—Yeu road.

FIFTEENTH INDIAN CORPS FRONT:—Loaded enemy sampans on the Mayu river were engaged by artillery and machine-gun fire.

Sumatra Coast Raided

KANDY, Dec. 26: A special S.E.A.C. 'communique' says:

"On the morning of December 20 British naval carrier borne aircraft attacked the harbour of Bellawan-Deli on the east coast of Sumatra and an oil installation in the same area. Bombing from 1,500 feet Avengers scored hits on jetties, warehouses and railway yards.

In the afternoon of the same day enemy airfields in the Sabang area and the anchorage at Uleelhow were attacked by Corsairs and Hellcats. Enemy airfield installations and small craft were damaged in low flying attacks. We suffered no casualties.—A. P.

ELAS PLOT TO BLOW UP GOVT. HEADQUARTERS FOILED

CHURCHILL AND EDEN ON PEACE MISSION IN ATHENS; R.T.C. TO SOLVE GREEK DEADLOCK

ELAS Leaders Invited

ATHENS, Dec. 25.

Prime Minister Mr. Churchill and Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden have arrived in Athens and have convened a political conference for to-morrow to which ELAS delegates have been invited. The Archbishop of Athens will preside.

Following "communique" was issued: "Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden arrived in Athens to-day. After consultations with Field Marshal Alexander, Commander-in-Chief, Allied forces in the Mediterranean, Sir Harold MacMillan, British Minister Resident, Central Mediterranean and Mr. Rex Leeper the British Ambassador, they interviewed the Greek Prime Minister M. Papandreou and informed him that they proposed to convene a conference representative so far as possible of Greek political opinion.

Today's conference, says the communique, "Is to put an end to the fratricidal strife in Greece and to enable her to resume her place among the United Nations." This aim is phrased in the typical Churchillian bluntess.

This development though, it has been a cabinet secret of the first order, is in keeping with the many demands made in the British Parliament and elsewhere in this country recently.

The attitude of the British Government was clearly stated by Mr. Eden in the Commons four days ago. The British wished to see a Greek Government broadly representative of public opinion at the earliest possible date, he said.

Its first task would be to get relief going again. Its second would be to organise free and fair elections. Last reports on the situation before this Christmas night communique was issued were that British authorities in Athens had drafted their reply to the still unpublished note from ELAS.

Mr. Churchill's last journey abroad was in November when he had talks in Paris with General de Gaulle. The previous month he had been in Moscow to meet Marshal Stalin.—

CONFERENCE AT 4

Reuter's Special Correspondent says:—

The 70-year-old British Prime Minister, Winston Churchill has gone abroad again—this time at Christmas. A Reuter message from Athens early this morning announced that he is there with Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden, who is thus visiting Greece for the second time within a few weeks.

He was in Athens with Lord Moyne just before the latter's assassination on his return to Cairo.

Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden arrived in Athens on Christmas day and after seeing British leaders on the spot including Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces in the Mediterranean, Field-Marshal Sir Harold Alexander interviewed the Greek Prime Minister M. Papandreou. Today they are holding a conference to which delegates from ELAS—fighting forces of the leftwing movement EAM—have been invited.

Their conference is to put an end to the fratricidal strife in Greece and to enable her to resume her place among the United Nations. The Central ELAS Committee is being invited to send delegates to take their part in this Conference.

The necessary safe conducts will be given to these delegates. The Archbishop of Athens Damaskinos has consented to preside at this conference as chairman."

The Conference will be held on December 26 at 4 p.m. It has been suggested to ELAS that they should send three or four delegates as they may prefer.

The Primate of Greece Archbishop Damaskinos will preside. Yesterday he appealed to the Greek people to cease bloodshed. "We are in danger of losing all the moral gains of the four years struggle by the side of our Allies" he said.

"Fling away your arms. Tear up the funeral shroud of Greece which your bloody conflict is weaving."

Personal intervention of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden on the spot comes after three weeks internal strife between ELAS forces and the Papandreou Government. It broke out after EAM Ministers had resigned.

The Greek Popular Democrat Party which is represented in the Papandreou Government issued a Christmas day memorandum urging representatives of British and American labour organisations to visit Greece immediately "to establish which side is defending democratic liberties."

Churchill To Address Delegates

ATHENS, Dec. 26.

Mr. Churchill saw Archbishop Damaskinos yesterday. It is expected that the British Prime Minister will be present at the opening of this afternoon's conference and will make the opening address to the delegates, after which Greek politicians will begin discussions amongst themselves. While General Scobie has invited the ELAS Central Committee to send three or four delegates to this afternoon's conference, it is understood that Archbishop Damaskinos and M. Papanderou together are issuing invitations to the leaders of various Greek political parties.

Churchill's Parleys With Damaskinos

ATHENS, Dec. 26: Mr. Churchill and Archbishop Damaskinos had a three hour talk yesterday evening, and it is reported "got on famously".



In the British areas in Athens thousands of people this morning left home for the first time in three weeks as news of Mr. Churchill's arrival spread. Groups of demonstrators marched through the cleared areas. The slogan of one of the largest demonstrations was "no amnesty for ELAAS" Cheering demonstrators flocked around the British Embassy buildings. It is reported that in twenty-one days' civil war ELAS forces in the Athens area have taken 8,000 hostages.—

Pressure From ELAS Forces

Allied Mediterranean H. Q. Dec. 26: To-day's communique says: Our troops have made further progress in Athens and Piraeus and large areas are now clear. The issue of meals to civilian population in these areas is progressing on a correspondingly wider scale.

In Epirus Gen Zervas' troops continued to fall back under increasing pressure from ELAS forces. There is nothing to report elsewhere in Greece.—

ALLIES OCCUPY ROSSETTA IN ITALY

Allied Mediterranean H. Q. Dec. 26.

Today's communique said: "North-west of Ravenna, Canadian troops of the Eighth Army have occupied Rossetta and are within two miles of Alfonsine. North of Faenza all enemy resistance east of Canale Naviglio is virtually at an end. On the Fifth Army front activity was confined to patrols.

Medium forces of Fifteenth A. A. F. heavy bombers with escort yesterday attacked an oil refinery at Brux in Germany and a number of rail yards in Austria. R. A. F. heavy and medium bombers flew supply missions to Yugoslavia.

INDIAN TROOPS CAPTURE KEY VILLAGE

FAENZA, Dec. 26: Threading their way through a maze of enemy strongpoints over the Montone River, two companies of a famous Nabha Akal Indian State Battalion fighting under Mahratta command in 48 hours captured the key village of Albareto and cut a supply road important to enemy forces at Faenza.

They had to contend with heavy artillery, which interposed a thick curtain of fire between the attacking units and a succession of objectives.

Mikado's Fears About Serious Jap Battle Situation

LONDON, Dec. 26: The German News Agency in a Tokio dispatch said that Emperor Hirohito attended the opening of the 86th Japanese Parliament in Tokio to-day. In his Imperial rescript, the Emperor emphasized that the battle situation had become increasingly serious and, therefore, the Japanese people would have to make greater effort than ever.—Reuter.

Scobie's H. Q. Saved

ATHENS, Dec. 26.

A plot to blow up the entire Hotel Grande Bretagne by dynamite was discovered and foiled early this morning. The charge was enough to have severely damaged the hotel, the Police Headquarters opposite, and possibly other neighbouring buildings.

Hotel Bretagne—the Fortress Hotel of Athens since the beginning of the civil war—is the seat of the Papandreou Government and residence of General Scobie and a majority of the officers of his staff. The degree of congestion inside the hotel is indicated by the fact that in many officers' rooms, officers are sleeping on bedrolls on the floor.

It is thought the dynamite, which army engineers are now removing by lorry, was placed in position by the ELAS who must have entered the sewer through a manhole in their territory, and carried the load possibly a mile or further underground after night inspection by the British patrol. The plot was discovered by a British patrol on routine inspection. Three-quarters ton dynamite properly packed and fixed was discovered in the main sewer several feet under the University Street and only six yards from the facade of Hotel Grande Bretagne.

Investigation has revealed that the dynamite was carried in sacks on wooden litters.

On a previous occasion, 15 hundredweight German penthrite had been removed by British sappers after a British guard discovered it in a sewer late one night. In the interval ELAS men had cut through barbed wire barrier across the sewer, lain explosive and affixed German detonators but had apparently been disturbed and left without finishing the job.

Electric wire attached to the explosive has been found running a considerable distance under the central area of Athens, but sappers following the wire have not reached the end of it. The discovery of the plot follows persistent rumours current in the last few days that the ELAS would attempt to blow up the hotel. Consequently British defence patrols have been making regular inspection of sewers under British-held areas of the city three or four times daily for the last week or so.

SENAPATI BAPAT ARRESTED

Gadgil's Call To C. P. Students To Go To Villages

AMRAOTI, Dec. 26: The first session of the C. P. and Berar Students' Congress was held here to-day. Mr. Gadgil ex-President, M.P.C.C., presided.

Mr. Gadgil in his presidential address explained the Congress programme and advised students to go into villages to work among illiterate villagers for their uplift.

A resolution passed requesting Government to open medical and engineering colleges in the Provinces.

Senapati Bapat, who was to have inaugurated the conference, was arrested under D. I. R. and Prof. Bang of Wardha inaugurated the conference.—A. P.

LONDON, Dec. 26: The United States Headquarters announced that two railroad marshalling yards in the Coblenz area and bridges on rail lines between Coblenz and Bonn were attacked to-day by approximately 150 Liberators and Flying Forts accompanied by more than 300 fighters. Most of the bombing was done visually.

The targets handle rail traffic for the German armies on the western front.—Reuter.

Navjivan Trust To Sue Bombay Govt.

Sequel To Refusal To Return Seized Paper Stocks

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, December 26.

The Navjivan Trust have decided to file a suit for recovering the paper that was seized by the govt. in 1942 from the Navjivan press. The Collector has finally replied that the stock of paper was already disposed of, and there was no question of returning it or giving money for it. The suit will be for a lakh of rupees.

After handing over possession of the Navjivan Press, Government had not returned the stock of paper worth Rs. 50,000, at prices prevalent then. In this connection, Mr. Jivanji Desai, Manager of Navjivan Press, had written a letter to the District Magistrate demanding the return of the stock. Now it is learnt that the District Magistrate has given a reply to the effect that the paper having been used up the question of returning or paying for it does not arise.

Gandhiji's Scheme For Khaddar

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 26.

It is learnt from well-informed Congress circles that Gandhiji has sponsored an elaborate scheme for the improvement of the Khaddar industry. This scheme was thoroughly discussed at the conference of Provincial workers, recently held at Uttarsanda. It is further learnt that Gandhiji has advised that every province or district should be self-supporting and self-sufficient so far as Khaddar is concerned and Congress workers should pay their attention for the encouragement of spinning.

SABHA'S FREE INDIA CONSTITUTION

Resolution For Bilaspur Open Session

BILASPUR, Dec. 26.

The Subjects Committee of the Mahasabha approved the constitution of future Free India drafted by Mr. Bhopatkar with slight modifications. The resolution drafted for the open session enunciates the following principles for which the Mahasabha stands: Hindusthan shall be a free state and her constitution be styled "the constitution of Hindusthan Free State." Historically, politically ethnologically and culturally Hindusthan is one whole and indivisible and so shall she remain. The form of Government shall be democratic and federal. The federal legislature shall be bicameral in structure. Elections to legislatures, whether federal or provincial, shall be on the basis of adult franchise and of one man one vote. The federal government shall be distributed between the central and provincial legislatures in a manner to give a measure of autonomy to provinces adequate with residuary powers at the centre.

The power of the Government whether federal or provincial shall be divided into legislative, executive and judicial with the executive responsible to the legislature and both responsible to the people and with the judiciary independent of the executive.

Distinction between martial and non-martial races shall no longer exist and the military strength of Hindusthan Free State shall, as far as possible, be equi-balanced amongst its various provinces, consistently with its standard of discipline and efficiency. The States should be brought into the federation of Hindusthan. Responsible Government should be introduced on principles stated above.

New Attempt On Hitler's Life?

Fire In Fuehrer's Headquarters

LONDON, Dec. 21—Rumours current in Berlin of a new attempt on Hitler's life are reported in the "Aftonbladet", cables the "News Chronicle" Stockholm correspondent.

These rumours are based on a mysterious fire in Plessheim Castle, Bavaria, which is believed to be Hitler's headquarters and where, it is known, he lived for some time.

The whole of the Plessheim district is said to be surrounded by S.S. formations and all communications with the outside world are stated to be cut off. These reports, however, should be received with reserve.

The "Aftonbladet" gives as their source a German in Stockholm who has close relations with Germany.

"NO REFUGE FOR HITLER"

LONDON, Dec. 21—"Romantic but unrealistic", was the verdict in Moscow on the report that Hitler will seek final refuge in Berchtesgaden guarded by the diehard remnants of his armies, cables John Evans, "Daily Herald" Moscow correspondent.

Berchtesgaden is not safe for Hitler even now. The Red Army is only about 200 miles away. Apart from their land forces between Lake Balaton and the river Drava in Hungary, the Russians have advanced airports from which they could bomb Berchtesgaden several times a day.

Even the present land distance from Berchtesgaden is illusory. For if the Soviet forces link up with Slovenian guerillas in north-ern Yugoslavia, they may be within reach of Austria quite soon. These guerillas are already active in Carynthia, only a few hours ride from Berchtesgaden.

The Russians have made great progress in one endeavour which is not reported in their communiques. This is the conversion of Hungary into a base for new offensives. The organisation of railways and accumulation of ammunition and other supplies are far advanced.

The first time since it opened on November 7, the French Consultative Assembly is due to hold a secret session devoted to a debate on national defence on Tuesday.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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New York, Dec. 26

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Gandhiji Needs Further Rest

WARDHA, Dec. 26.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Dr. K. T. Gajjar and Dr. Sushila Nair after thoroughly examining Mahatma Gandhi this afternoon issued the following bulletin:—

"Gandhiji is suffering from tracheitis following the influenza attack. This causes paroxysms of troublesome cough especially on attempts at talking. There is occasionally slight rise in temperature The illness has caused a fair amount of weakness and exhaustion. Intestinal parasites (amoebie and hookworm) are still there and anaemia is little more pronounced. He needs undisturbed rest for sometime and has been advised not to use his voice as far as possible till his condition has undergone considerable change for the better. Friends are requested not to expect him to attend to correspondence or give interviews till he is fully recovered."—A. P.

TAIL OF MADRAS EXPRESS DERAILS

Rearmost Carriage Passengers Transhipped At Bhalavni

BOMBAY, Dec. 26: "The rearmost carriage of the Madras Express train due to arrive in Bombay on December 25 was derailed whilst passing through Bhalavni station at about 05-45 hours on December 25", says a Press Note issued from the office of the General Manager, G.I.P. Railway.

"The train was halted and passengers from the derailed carriage were transhipped, after which the train proceeded to Bombay. No passengers or railway staff were injured. Through communication is expected to be restored on the afternoon of December 26. In the meantime the passengers of other trains are being transhipped." United Press.

RED TANKS BREAK INTO BUDAPEST

Germans' Escape Gap Swiftly Shrinking

MOSCOW, Dec. 26: The battle of Budapest has entered its final stage with Russian tanks breaking into the city from the west and the six-mile escape gap remaining to the German garrison swiftly shrinking, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

The isolation of German troops inside the Hungarian capital is all but complete and the next few hours is expected to bring news of their complete encirclement. The position late Monday night was that Marshal Tolbukhin's troops had moved to points just below the city.

A desperate and bloody battle is raging inside the built up area linked with Buda, the western section of Budapest with German Tiger tanks rolling forward to attack Soviet assault groups. The Germans are counter-attacking bitterly.

MOSCOW RATIFIES PACT WITH FRANCE

LONDON, Dec. 26: Moscow radio announced yesterday that the Franco-Soviet Treaty of Alliance and Mutual Aid has been ratified by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet.—Reuter.

'Pindi Congressmen Confer 'In Camera'

RAWALPINDI, Dec. 26: The first general meeting of the Rawalpindi District Congress Workers' Council constituted in pursuance of the decision of Ludhiana Provincial Congress Assembly, was held here last night. About 50 Congress workers attended.

Mr. Ram Suri and Sardar Daya Singh were elected President and General Secretary respectively.

The Communists were not admitted to the meeting which was held 'in camera.'—A. P.

Nazis Within 4 Miles Of Meuse

SHAEF, PARIS, Dec. 26.

The Germans are within four miles of the Meuse, having pushed 11 miles due west of Rochefort to the vicinity of Celles which is four miles south-east of Dinant. The Germans have also advanced 10 miles north-west of Rochefort reaching Cinay, eight miles north-west of Dinant on the Liege Road.

Bastogne Defenders Gallantly Fighting Back

S.H.A.E.F. (PARIS), Dec. 26: American troops pressing against the Germans' southern flank in the Ardennes break-through area have gained from one to three more miles along a 25-mile front, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

At the same time other force have been withdrawing from the Saint Vith salient which stands in the centre of the German offensive line.

The Germans are increasing pressure along the northern sector of their attack. Withdrawal by the Americans from the Saint Vith salient made the German line take the form of a semi-circular bulge three miles south of Monschau to Echternach and about 36 miles across running east and west.

Creeping steadily northwards. American attackers entering Martelange moved within five miles of Bastogne where American forces, supplied by air, are holding out stubbornly although encircled. The heaviest fighting is raging in this area. Repeated German attacks against the Bastogne garrison have failed.

North-east of Martelange Americans have cleared Arsdorf and further gains in that region have taken the Americans near Neutenhausen, two and a half miles north-east of Arsdorf which itself is five and a half miles north-east of Martelange. Further eastwards, Americans repulsing two counter-attacks near Heiderscheid and Kehmen are now getting close to the Sure river.

Advances were made by the Americans also east and south of Diekirch, capturing Mostroff, four miles south of Vianden one of the original points in the German penetration.

The Allies flew 4,000 sorties in assaults on the battlefield and communication and supply points.—Reuter.

NOVEL NAZI TACTICS TO TRAP U. S. ARMY LEADERS

With The 1st American Army, Dec. 26: One of the most astonishing stories of the war can now be told. It is the story of a special German task force which has infiltrated behind the American lines to kill American army leaders.

The unit consisted of some members who drove through in a convoy which included British command cars, others who wore British uniforms and some others who were dropped by parachute. They carried small bottles containing sulphuric acid which were contained in match boxes and which could be thrown into the faces of anybody intercepting them.

Germans wearing American uniforms are known to have taken them from American officers who had been captured and then forced to strip to their underwear before being shot. This unit was part of a much larger special saboteur battalions which were dropped behind the American lines during the current German counter-offensive. The members of this force wore regular American or British uniforms. Those in British dress carried British credentials which were more or less unfamiliar to the Americans and were therefore difficult to check.

The Germans organised these special saboteur units nearly two months ago recruiting English-speaking troops even from fighting areas. Special classes were held in the case of the force assigned to wipe out high-ranking American officers. These special classes were held at Friendenthal near Berlin.

German troops in American uniforms who were assigned for special reconnaissance duties went to southern Germany for their instruction. Many of these who spoke English with a British accent were placed in prisoner of war camps where Americans were housed to learn American accent.

Almost from the minute they struck, driving over roads in the area of the break through and dropping by parachute American military police and other troops began to pick them up. Many of these Germans were apparently bewildered by their assignment and at least outwardly they pretended not to know that wearing American uniforms qualifies them for the firing squad. A majority have now been caught although a close watch is being maintained by the American Military Police in every sector of the battle area.

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BOMBAY RACES

Another Devil Defeats Dancing Lily In Chief Event

OUTSIDERS SPRING IN MOST EVENTS

FROM OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT.

The large Boxing Day crowds at Mahaluxmi failed to achieve as, generally expected as outsiders sprang up in most events. The sport was, however, of splendid order. A couple of exciting finishes were witnessed.

The Baroda-owned Dancing Lily, the market rage in the day's chief event, the Aga Shamshuddin Plate, gave terrible shocks to her big armies of supporters when she failed to win. Another Devil, the winner, was extremely lucky. Most watchers expressed that Britt's overconfidence in the speedy Baroda Mare cost him the race. When passing the second enclosure Dancing Lily, well in check, was noted hugging on the heels of the tiring Lejong but in a couple of strides when Britt noticed Another Devil slipping out with big strides from his left, he was also compelled to pull out his mount and this late effort caused his failure. Of course, he delivered a stiff challenge but it was too late.

Lord Wavell scored a popular victory in the concluding event and spared only a short portion of his head when passing the winning post from the fast finishing Wasf-Al-Muluk.

Outsiders who scored in the races of the treble event pool, permitted encashment of only 25 tickets each of which fetched Rs. 4,033-8-0.

The following are the results:-

THE BELLASIS PLATE Division II—Distance 1 mile.

Mr. Saleh Moosa's TIME STEP 9-0 Burn 1
Lt. Col. Zorawar Singh's DAHMAN YUNUS 9-0 Raffaele 2
Mr. N. N. Cohen's FLYING ACE 9-0 Jones 3
Mr. Saleh Hassan's SHARIYAR 8-7 Roberts 4

Not run: Indian Money, Aziz Fadhil, Iraq Marshal, Take it Easy Happy Boy, Kutub Minar.

Won by: Hd, 3 1/2 lengths, 1 1/4 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 54 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 55. Places Rs 19, Rs. 30 and Rs. 21.

THE MANJRI PLATE Division III—Distance 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. Geddis's SUNNY SKIES 9-4 P. Khade 1
Mr. G. L. Shinde's ZINDABAD 8-13 Chavan 2
Mrs. E. M. Bleach's DOUBLE ACTION 7-12 Mohd. Khan 3
Mr. Govindji L. Jobanputra's SUNRICH 9-2 Bhorsingh 4

Not run: Roopsundari.
Won by: 3 lengths, 3 lengths, Hd.
Time: 1 minute 17 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 33. Places Rs. 16, Rs. 26 and Rs. 19.

THE MANJRI PLATE Division I—Distance 6 furlongs.

H. H. Maharaja of Idar's NASEEB 8-6 Brace 1
Mr. Abid H. Doctor's PROMISE ME 9-0 Evans 2
Mr. Osman Chotani's PRINCESS PADMA 8-9 Raffaele 3
H. H. Maharaja of Kashmir's BLUE WONDER 8-6 Jones 4

Not run: H. Fate, Cultured Pearl.
Won by: Shd, 1 1/2 lengths, 4 lengths.
Time: 2 minutes 1/15 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 148. Places Rs. 28, Rs. 14 and Rs. 23.

THE ALHAMBRA PLATE Division III—Distance 7 furlongs.

Nawabzadas Yemin-ul-Mulk and Fakhr-ul-Mulk of Bhopal's ARAB SHAH 7-12 Kan Singh 1
Mr. S. G. Bhopatkar's SILVER SCREEN 8-5 Uttamsingh 2
Mr. Rahiman's INTIDHAR AL SHABAB 8-8 Magansingh 3
Mr. G. A. W. Wilkins's TAMIM AL KHAIR 8-6 Bhorsingh 4

Not run: Snapper, Prince Mahmud.
Time: 1 minute 37 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 98. Places Rs. 28, Rs. 34 and Rs. 14.

THE MANJRI PLATE Division II—Distance 6 furlongs.

M/s. Ebrahim and Dossa's ROYAL PRINCESS 8-13 Britt 1
Mr. Alimahomed Chotani's LUSTRE 8-3 Chavan 2
Sq. Ldr. L. F. Weston's STRATHNUNE 9-1 Burn 3
Messrs. Rosenthal and Travers' CHELSEA ROSE 8-12 Sibbritt 4

Not run: Shivpuri.
Won by: 3/4 length, 1/2 length.
1 1/2 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 16 3/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 47. Places Rs. 19, Rs. 42 and Rs. 18

THE BELLASIS PLATE Division I Distance 1 mile.

Mr. K. N. Multani's MIAMI 9-4 Roberts 1
Mr. J. A. Abdulezer's WALDYE 8-7 Sibbritt 2
Mr. J. D. Banatwalla's BLACK HUSSAR 9-0 B. McQuade 3
Mr. Osman Chotani's PETER 9-4 Raffaele 4

Not run: Pr. Hamiyah, Irada, Kaid Saoud, Hormazdiyar.
Won by: Shd, Shd, Shd.
Time: 1 minute 53 4/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 99. Places Rs. 24, Rs. 16 and Rs. 25.

THE ALHAMBRA PLATE Division II—Distance 7 furlongs.

M/s. Tibrewalla and Modi's MALIK AL JIYAD 8-9 Raffaele 1
M/s. Mehta and Hope's KING HILAL 9-0 Kheem Singh 2
Mr. J. D. Banatwalla's MOZAN 8-4 Roberts 3
Mr. D. F. Karaka's JANAB 8-11 Sibbritt 4

Not run: Khalaf Janet, Mandub al Garb All Gold.
Won by: 2 1/2 lengths, 2 lengths, Shd.
Time: 1 minute 37 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 28. Places Rs. 14, Rs. 32 and Rs. 16.

THE AGA SHAMSHUDDIN PLATE—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mrs. Justice's ANOTHER DEVIL 7-10 Whiteside 1
Maharaja of Baroda's DANCING LILY 9-0 Britt 2
Maharani of Kashmir's MOOT LAW 9-0 Jones 3
Maharaja of Parlakimedi's LEJONG 9-0 Sibbritt 4

Not run: Radio Man, Savoyard, Marcheux, Salmon Bar, Fortunate Lad.
Won by: 1 1/4 lengths, 3 lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 27 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 46. Places Rs 13, Rs. 11 and Rs. 18.

THE ALHAMBRA PLATE Division I—Distance 7 furlongs.

Hon. Sir Shanidas Askuran's LORD WAVELL 9-0 Evans 1
Mr. S. P. Mistry's WASF AL MULUK 8-4 Bruce 2
Mr. A. Higgins's TALISMAN 8-4 Burn 3
Mr. T. G. Essajee's KHAZANCHI 8-12 Sibbritt 4

Not run: Mikhlif Jabir, Royal Oak.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 29. Places Rs. 16, Rs. 23 and Rs. 31.

"Kinkajou" Wins Viceroy's Cup

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

The second classic of the Calcutta winter racing season, the Viceroy's Cup, a terms race for Class I horses over 1 3/4 miles, was annexed in a comparatively easy manner by Sir Renwick Haddow's Kinkajou, Marrs up, beating El Obro, winner of the King-Emperor's Cup by 2 1/2 lengths, with the unfancied 'The Clue' placing third a neck behind. Thus, Kinkajou avenged his defeat by El Obro in the King-Emperor's Cup 10 days ago. Nine candidates accepted and in the betting ring Wansfell once again was favourite.—A. P.

'AZAD' WINS GOVERNOR'S CUP

LAHORE, Dec. 26: The Governor's Cup, the main event of to-day's Lahore races, was won by Mr. Sant Ram's 'Azad' (Lallo up) beating 'Vijay Bharat' by three-quarters of a length, Gendarme finishing third, one and one-quarter length behind. The favourite 'Red Seal' was unplaced. The winner was trained by Ishar Dass.—A. P.

MADRAS BEAT HYDERABAD

7 Skittled Out For Meagre 21

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

Madras won the first round of the Ranji tournament in their match with Hyderabad by 53 runs. Madras will now meet Mysore in the South Zone final.

SCORES: Madras 488 and 233; Hyderabad 192 and 176.

Requiring 223 runs for an outright victory and all the ten wickets intact, Hyderabad resumed their second innings this morning on the fourth and last day of the match.

SCORES:

HYDERABAD (Second Innings)

Asadullah b Ramsingh 6; Jagdishlal b Rangachari 4; Ajbara b Rangachari 15; D. Prasad c Rangachari b Robinson 48; Asghar b Ramsingh 55; Bharatchand c Rangachari b Ramsingh 29; Gulam Ahmed b Ramsingh 7; Zahiruddin b Ramsingh 0; Sanjivira run out 4; Mehta c Robinson b Rangachari 0; Bhoopathy, not out 0. Extras 8. Total 176.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: Gopalan 6/1/11/0, Rangachari 34.4/13/53/3, Ramsingh 47/25/46/5, Alva 5/3/4/0, Krishna Rao 8/1/24/0, Johnstone 2/1/2/0, Kannan 8/2/11/0, Robinson 8/2/17/1.

INDIAN FOOTBALLERS BEAT CEYLON BAREFOOTERS

COLOMBO, Dec. 25: The team of Indian footballers have scored their first success of the tour this evening when they defeated All-Ceylon barefooters by one goal to nil in the first test match. Both the teams were introduced to Mr. M. S. Aney, the Government of India's representative in Ceylon before the game started.—A. P.

MIRAJ, Dec. 26: "If we fail to seek scientific knowledge we shall perish not only in warfare, but in peace-fare also," observed the Raja Saheb of Phaltan after having laid the foundation stone of the new science building at the Willingdon College yesterday.—United Press.

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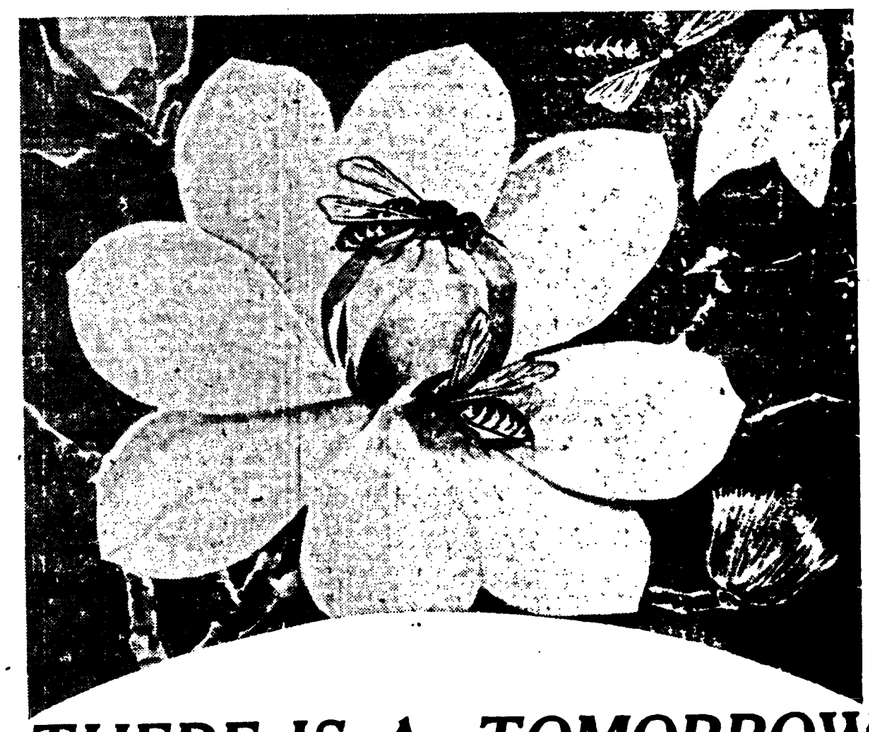
Someone, probably a highly esteemed citizen, gave that last hint which enabled the enemy to direct a submarine to intercept that ship. Just an incautious word, carelessly uttered, and forgotten.

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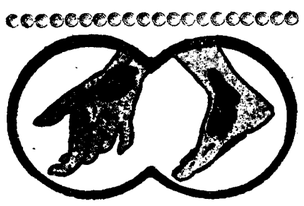
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Jinnah's Thanks For Greetings On 68th Birthday

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League received a number of messages wishing him long life from all over the country on Monday, on the occasion of his 68th birthday. During the day, Mr. Jinnah took a salute from a batch of Muslim National Guards, headed by Mr. Syed Hasham Ali Inamdar, Provincial Head of the Guards' organisation, who garlanded the League leader.

Muslims of Bombay and Suburbs propose to hold public celebrations in connection with Mr. Jinnah's birthday after the month of Muharram, says Mr. M. O. Kokil, Joint Secretary, Provincial Muslim League.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, says in a statement, "I have received hundreds of telegrams and letters of good wishes on my birthday and it is physically impossible for me to reply to them individually. I, therefore, through the courtesy of the press, wish to convey my grateful thanks for the good wishes."

Karachi Ban On Arya Samajists

KARACHI, Dec. 26: The Karachi police have imposed restrictions on the local Arya Samajists and directed them not to read Chapter XIV of the 'Satyarth Prakash' in processions arranged by them during the Shardhanand Week. As a protest against this the Arya Samajists have cancelled the programme of Prabhat Pheries during the week.—A. P.

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To-day

Hindu: Posh Shud 13, 2001.
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Parsi: Tir 25, 1314.
Sunrise: 8-10 a.m. Sunset: 7-10 p.m.
Hightide: 10-54, 24-07.
Lowtide: 5-13, 17-0.

To-day's Engagements

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Question & Answer Meeting. Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day (Wednesday). 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION: Public Lecture with Lantern Slides, by Prof. R. S. Bhagwat, in English in the Besant Hall, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Wednesday), at 4-45 p.m. (S. T.), on "Science and Religion."

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: To-day (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m., at Mazdaznan Temple Hall, opp. Churchgate Station, on "Unique Mission of Prophets".

TO-DAY'S RAMANA JAYANTI PROGRAMME: 5 to 7 p.m.: Musical entertainment by Srimathi S. Jayalakshmi; 8-30 to 9-15 p.m.: Discourse (in English) on "Light On Yoga" by Dr. K. S. Bhatia; 9-30 to 10-30 p.m.: Veena Vadhyam by Sharma and party.

SRI KRISHNA MUSIC ACADEMY: To-day's Programme 7-00 p.m.: Srimti Gomathi Vocal; Sri R. N. Subramania Iyer Violin; Sri K. V. Ramakrishnan Mridangam; 8-00 p.m.: Sangita Vidwan and Sri H. A. S. Mani Vocal; Sri P. Lakshminarayana Iyer Violin; Sri K. V. Ramakrishnan Mridangam.

SPINNING COMPETITION: There was a spinning competition under the auspices of the Fort Students' Charka Sangha at their office at 96, 98, Bora Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay, on Sunday the 24th instant, at 10 a.m. A number of students and public took part in the competition which lasted for one hour. After the competition Mr. F. M. Pinto, Mr. Madhav Menon and Mr. G. S. Kini addressed the gathering. Mr. K. C. Suvarna of the Charka Sangha, exhorted the students to take active part in the constructive programme chalked out by Gandhiji.

3 ARTS JASHNE MEHTABI NEW YEAR'S EVE FESTIVAL: On Sunday, 31st instant, at 6-30 p.m., at Golwala Bath Terrace, Marina. The programme includes Saroj, Lydia and Olga in Song-Dances of "Silvery Wings, Silvery Moonbeams, Blue Danube comic, and Chanani Nritya", the fairy princess Asha or Jawhar will give away the prizes to the performers and to the best dressed couple wearing white and silver costumes, presented by Wali Md. Sonawala and Purshotam Vishram. All cordially welcome by obtaining entry vouchers from Atiya Begum or Mr. Saxena 21084, and all are requested to wear white and silver if possible.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

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WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27.

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20 Destitutes Die In Three Days

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26: Twenty sick destitutes died and as many were admitted in hospital during the last three days.—A. P.

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SOLDIER IN CUSTODY

Alleged Breaking Of Glass Show Case In Jeweller's Shop

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A soldier who got into a firm of jewellers at Churchgate Street, this afternoon, smashed up a chair, and damaged glass-show cases, was arrested by the Phalton Road Police and handed over to the custody of the military police.

The man who appeared to be in a state of intoxication got into the jeweller's shop and made towards a glass show case on the top of which was heaped half-a-lakh of rupees worth of ornaments and jewellery. The men in the shop tried to stop him, when he lifted a chair and crashed it on the ground. He is alleged to have lifted an iron-bar and threatened to brain anyone who intercepted him.

The Pathan watchmen of the shop managed to hold him and the local and military police were sent for.

The man's face was trickling with blood from a face injury which it is learnt to have been acquired by him in an earlier affray somewhere else.

POSTAL AND R. M. S. EMPLOYEES' DEMANDS

At the open session of the All-India Postal and R. M. S. Conference held at Wagle Hall, Kandewadi, Hon. Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal Motilal presiding on Tuesday passed a resolution expressing deep resentment over the persistent apathy of the Government towards the repeated and urgent demand of the Postal and R. M. S. employees in the matter of revision of scale of pay and dearness allowance, strongly urging upon the Government to concede without delay the just and reasonable demands of the employees and grant the revised uniform scale of pay for all classes of employees of the subordinate service of the post office and R. M. S. (in view of the fact that there was no likelihood of the prices of essential commodities coming down to normal in the near future) with retrospective effect from March 1942 on the point to point system, the abolition of A B C area and a uniform scale throughout India were also urged.

In the event of Government refusing to concede the above demands within a reasonable time this Conference requests the General Secretary of the All-India Postal and R. M. S. Union to immediately issue a referendum to ascertain the view of all the branches of the Union affiliated to it and to call a special meeting of the Executive Council to decide further line of action.

LIVE UP TO 200

Scientist Starts Tests

December 24.

Dr. V. Korenchevsky, Russian-born British naturalised scientist, has set himself the task of finding out how you can live to be 150 or, perhaps, 200 years old, writes "Sunday Dispatch" Reporter.

And Dr. Korenchevsky believes that he and his colleagues, members of "The Club for Research on Ageing", can, by the result of their medical and biological research, prevent premature senility in other words, you will not expect to die around the biblical three score and ten.

Dr. Korenchevsky cannot tell when his experiments will be concluded, but Lord Nuffield has given him £3,000, which will carry the work on for at least another three years.

In the peace and quietness of his laboratory, in the cloistered university at Oxford Dr. Korenchevsky told me:

"Living to 55 or 100 is entirely a pathological matter. I am making a study with other scientists about the make-up of the human body—why some people die at middle age and others do not.

"If we can discover the pathological reason for this it will be an easy matter for scientists to ensure a normal life well in excess of 100 years. We may be able to go up to 200 years.

"Recent advances in science have made it possible to start this research, and we hope it will provide an answer to one of medicine's greatest problems."

Dr. Korenchevsky explained that there are hundreds of causes which produce normal ageing and are responsible for premature senility.

"It is our task to try to find out what these causes are and to discriminate the different features of normal and pathological ageing. Every cause and feature will have to be examined by many different methods.

"My particular branch of research will be the effects of the hormones on the pituitary gland, thyroid, adrenal, and sex glands on white rats.

"The result of experiments on animals do not always supply a conclusive argument for their use on human beings, and close co-operation between the clinical and experimental laboratories is necessary.

"The London County Council is co-operating with us in our research. It has started research on the effect of certain vitamins on aged people in Tooting Bec Hospital."

Widespread research is also going on in America, and "The Club for Research on Ageing" is working with its American counterparts. It is composed of Britain's leading scientists.

Miss Abdus Salem Starts Kasturba Seva Mandir

COMILLA, Dec. 26.

With a view to carrying on the village uplift work as planned by the Indian National Congress, Miss Abdus Salem has started the Kasturba Gandhi Seva Mandir at the village of Barkanta. The Mandir is doing relief work in the locality and distributing two maunds of milk daily to about 80 men, women and children, besides clothes, medicines and vitamin tablets supplied by the Indian Red Cross Society. The Mandir has decided to start a school on the lines of the Wardha Education Scheme.

Miss Salem is a Punjabi lady and is a disciple of Mahatma Gandhi.—United Press.

One-Day Tube Strike In London

LONDON, Dec. 26: Christmas day yesterday was probably London's quietest on record, as the one-day tube strike compelled many people to stay at home.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 26: Christmas Eve pilgrimage this year was the most crowded in living memory.

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Matinee today: 1 p. m.
Advance Booking: 9-30 to 12-30 & 2-30 to 8

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

History examines the manifestations of man's freewill in connection with the external world in time and in dependence on cause.

—Leo Tolstoy.

The Bombay Chronicle

STATES AND REFORMS

It is over three weeks since the entire Standing Committee of the Princes' Chamber resigned and the session of the Chamber itself was cancelled. Yet no authoritative statement has been issued setting forth the reasons for such an unprecedented protest on the part of the Princes. The questions at issue are, by no means, personal, but affect the vital interests of millions of States' people not to speak of their indirect effects on the country as a whole. It may, of course, be presumed that the Princes have protested against what they regard as encroachments on their treaty rights. These rights may be either against the States' people or against the crown functioning through the Political Department In the present case it is possible that the Princes have protested against encroachments by the Political Department attempting to safeguard the interests of British administration in India in general. It is difficult to believe that at this time the Political Department is attempting to encourage the constitutional rights of the States' people or of Indians in general. But whatever the issues are, they directly or indirectly affect millions in the country and they ought not to be hushed up. The Princes' Memorandum to the Viceroy must be published without any further delay.

The text of one of draft resolutions which the Princes' Chamber would have considered if its session had not been cancelled probably throws some light on the questions at issue. It says *inter alia*: "The Chamber of Princes considers it necessary to reiterate in the most unequivocal and emphatic terms that the Crown's relationship with the States and the Crown's powers in respect of the States cannot, and should not, be transferred to any third party or other authority without the consent of the State concerned. The reference to a third party suggests that the Princes wish to have a veto on the Crown's transfer of power to a popular Government at the centre. But they say nothing about the rights of the States' people to play their part in framing the new constitution for India They protest against the "recent tendency" towards "unilateral action without the consent of the States" but want themselves to follow a unilateral policy by ignoring the constitutional rights of the States' people It will be well for the Princes to realise betimes that the days are gone when they could say: "We are the States" and that no treaty can be invoked against the birthrights of the people whose taxes make the Princes' administration possible. Even Lord Wavell felt it necessary to declare in the Central Legislature in February last that the people of the States would be a party to the framing of the future constitution of India

It is significant that the protests of the Princes have elicited little sympathy from the States' people or Indians in general. Mr. Lathe, ex-Finance Minister of the Congress Government of Bombay, stated in a press interview last week, that it would be best for the Princes to take the subjects into confidence and that in the internal management of the States "it is the duty of the subjects to elect their own representatives". Herein Mr Lathe has voiced the wishes of Indians in general. A few States like Mysore have already made some progress in representative Government with great advantage to the States' people as well as to the Princes. They can go farther as Aundh has done. Indeed, many States may well emulate the example of Aundh. Hyderabad prepared, after prolonged labours, a Reforms constitution which, in spite of its obvious defects, would have been an appreciable improvement upon the present position. But it is a pity that its inauguration has been put off indefinitely. H. E. H. the Nizam, as the premier Prince, should give a lead to his brother Princes by inaugurating these reforms without delay. It behoves the people of the States in general to make concerted efforts to achieve constitutional reforms. We have no doubt they will get full support from Indians in the provinces.

Churchill In Athens

Apropos Mr Churchill's visit to Rome, Reuter's Special Correspondent tries to remind the world of the facts that the Prime Minister has undertaken the journey on the eve of Christmas and that he is 70 years old. Since, however, the Greek crisis has to a considerable extent been precipitated by the Prime Minister himself, much of the responsibility, for the trouble he has had to undertake and for which he certainly deserves human sympathy, is his own. For it is undeniable that one of the most unfortunate incidents in connection with the Anglo-Greek conflict was that provocative and abusive speech he delivered in the House of Commons and in which he went to the length of denouncing EAM and ELAS leaders as gangsters and bandits. It was a speech, which, as an inevitable reaction, produced extreme bitterness in Greece and serious disquiet in Britain as well as in America, let alone other countries. It raised international issues in an ugly form

But for that reason Mr. Churchill's surprise visit to Athens is, if we interpret it aright, all the more welcome and creditable to the British Prime Minister. It is a courageous acknowledgement of a foolish blunder and a strikingly big move in the effort to solve a grave crisis which threatened serious international repercussions. Nothing could be more helpful and effective in wiping out memories of conflict and restoring good and friendly relations than personal contact and discussions across the table. Mr. Churchill will now be able to discover the truth which in essence is that EAM is a popular organisation and that in principle it has been fighting for democratic justice. We assume that Mr. Churchill has gone to Athens in a genuinely conciliatory spirit and that if he has risked his personal prestige, as he has done, it is because he is willing to arrive at an agreement uninfluenced by his personal prejudice in favour of monarchy and the Papandreou regime. If the assumption is correct there is good hope of a speedy ending of the crisis.

Frankly Speaking

Japs' Greatest Defeat

General MacArthur announces that the battle of Leyte is virtually over When the Americans landed on the island, General Koiso, the Jap Premier, declared that the struggle would decide the fate of the Japanese Empire. That he meant it is proved by three facts. The Japanese High Command risked the Grand Fleet in an effort to destroy the invading force along with its naval escort and got grievously beaten. Secondly, it sent one of the best Jap Generals to challenge the Americans, who, thirdly, sent convoy after convoy to reinforce the Leyte garrison only to see it sunk and destroyed. The net result of it all is that, in the words of General MacArthur, General Yamashita "has sustained perhaps the greatest defeat in the military annals of the Japanese army." This is true not only because of the grievous losses the Japs have already suffered in men, material, warships, transports and aircraft, but also because it inevitably leads to the certainty of further and graver disasters.

Koiso Was Right

The conquest of Leyte, Samar and Mindora now creates an effective and unchallenged wedge between the Japanese forces caught in the north and the south. Once consolidated, and that will not take long, they will be bases for the final assault on Luzon and Manila. Already American aircraft are in destructive action and it is significant of Jap military weakness in the Philippines that little opposition was offered on Mindoro. Leyte has broken the Japs. The conquest of Luzon will decisively sever Jap sea communications and bring the Americans within a few hundred miles of the China coast. Koiso was right in attaching vital importance to the battle for Leyte.

A Case For Enquiry

We have before us applications by certain aggrieved persons to the Prime Minister of the Kolhapur State. If the allegations are true they reveal a shameful case of torture by the police. One complaint is by a woman that the police officials of the village of Pangire stripped her naked and beat her with a leather strap because she could not inform them of the whereabouts of her son whom they suspected of an offence, though she pleaded she knew nothing of his whereabouts. The woman alleges further that, though she told the police she was carrying and was then having a haemorrhage, they continued to beat her and even threw chilly powder on her private parts. Shortly after she aborted and was first admitted in the Albert Hospital, Kolhapur, where the doctor said she would have to be treated for five or six days. But, she adds, the police, who had tormented her, came there and said something to the nurse, when "the lady doctor and the nurse ceased taking care of me and began to say that nothing serious had happened." So she had to leave the hospital. It appears that several other persons, too, including her husband, were severely beaten by the police. In short the applications reveal a series of alleged outrages. It is clearly the duty of the Prime Minister to institute at once a searching inquiry and to bring to book all the persons found guilty. We understand that a departmental enquiry has been instituted. This will hardly satisfy the public. The requirements of justice and truth can only be satisfied if an independent committee presided over by a judicial officer inquires into the allegations. It is to be hoped, too, that the local lawyers will give the aggrieved persons all the legal aid they need and that the people in general will not rest till they are satisfied that justice is done.

U. S. SENATORS' PLAN FOR "BIG THREE" MEETING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

Four senators, headed by Senator Ball who wrote the senate's International Security resolution last Spring, have declared that they are working on a resolution whereby the Senate would announce its foreign policy principles in advance.

Senator Ball said that they hoped to frame a bill which would strengthen President Roosevelt's hands in an effort to get an international peace organisation functioning before the war ends.

The New York "Herald Tribune", publishing the above story, leads it with a statement that the "Big Three" will meet outside the United States in February and that a full United Nations meeting will be held in the United States probably in March.—Reuter.

Paucity Of Doctors In India

JIVRAJ MEHTA CRITICISES JAIL DIETRY

Presiding over the Twenty-First Session of the All-India Medical Conference which was held at Cawnpore on Tuesday, Dr. Jivraj Mehta referred to the loss sustained by the Indian medical profession by the deaths of some of its prominent members like Rai Bahadur Dr. Harendra Nath Das, Mahamahopadhyaya Dr. Gana Nath Sen, Dr. S. N. Gauto, and others. Pointing to the fact that out of an estimated total of something like 45,000 qualified members of the profession in the country, only about 6,000 are enrolled as members of the Indian Medical Association, Dr. Mehta made an earnest appeal to all qualified medical men and women in India to join the Association. He also appealed for unity and said it was a waste of effort to have two separate All-India organisations of the profession in the country, with aims and objects which do not materially differ from each other's. "It behoves the leaders of both of them to meet and evolve a common line of action", he said, "so that united in strength we can march on together to serve the interests of the medical profession as well as the nation."

PAUCITY OF MEDICAL RELIEF IN VILLAGES

Dr. Mehta went to to say: "If we look to the needs of the country, it is safe to say that the Indian medical profession is wholly unrepresented in by for the largest section of the country,—I mean, the villages away from big centres of population and industry. India has over 7,00,000 villages; so that even if we take the entire number of qualified medical men and women as in a position to serve the country through their art of healing there is hardly one qualified medico to every 15 villages; or one to every 9,000 of population. This is obviously a very low proportion of medical aid to the Indian masses scattered in so many villages. The average, however, does not indicate the actual availability of skilled medical advice or assistance to the millions of Indians, since out of the 45,000 qualified medical practitioners, perhaps, over 35,000 will be found residing and practising in the larger towns, which have no more than 12 per cent to 15 per cent of the total population of India. The remaining 85 per cent or over 32 crores of men, women and children, peasants, and workers are left to be served by not more than say, 10,000 duly qualified medical men and women, or hardly one to every 30,000 of the population."

IMPORTATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS

While expressing satisfaction at the appointment of the Health Survey and Development Committee under the chairmanship of Sir Joseph Bhore, Dr. Mehta protested against the calling of foreign medical experts in connection with the work of the Committee, he said:— "The only excuse which could at all be considered for such a policy is that experience gained in other countries might be useful to us in solving similar problems in our country. But if it is absolutely necessary that experience of other countries in matters of public health is essential and a pre-requisite condition for a proper appreciation and effective solution of our problems, why could not have Government deputed some very competent Indian members of the Committee to such foreign countries as may have much to teach by way of experiments already made, or experience already gained, in the problems affecting this country as a whole? This would have been not only much cheaper but also far more effective.

"By this method Indians would have got a knowledge and experience of other countries, which, remaining in the country, would enrich the profession as well as the nation whereas the policy of importing foreign experts keeps this country in matters of knowledge and experience as poor as ever, and helps to enrich other countries through their experts obtaining at our cost first hand knowledge or experience of conditions in this country."

PROBLEMS OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Dr. Mehta contrasted the Adarkar proposals dealing with the problems of social security in this country with those of the Beveridge Report. While welcoming the general principle underlying the Adarkar scheme, he pointed to its utter inadequacy. It is being confined to a very small section of the country's population only, to the complete exclusion or neglect of the very much larger proportion of agricultural and other workers, is a serious limitation on the popularity and success of the scheme. There will be no system of social security in India worth the name, so long as no provision is made for crop or cattle insurance, no systematic safeguard against pests, no guarantee against floods or famine or other natural calamities too numerous and too frequent to be particularised in this address."

DRUGS

Continuing, Dr. Mehta said:

"It is a matter of great regret that the Drugs Act, 1940, which was passed to control the import into India, and manufacture, sale and distribution in India of all drugs, has not yet been put into effect. Neither has the Government of India constituted the Drugs Consultative Committee, nor established the Central Drugs Laboratory. The Drugs Rules required to implement this Act took almost four years for their preparation and publication though quite a large number of them are a mere repetition of similar rules in Great Britain. This is how Government marches on in India!"

MEDICAL HELP IN JAILS

Dr. Mehta then went on to refer to the entire inadequacy of medical facilities provided in jail be they for prisoners or detenus. The sanitary arrangements were unsatisfactory in several jails. There was so much congestion that the health of prisoners and detenus suffered. Hardly any detenu escaped from some illness or other. Some of them used to fall ill every now and then. "Medicines were not easily available, and sanction had to be obtained for the purchase of medicines and injections from the Inspector-General of Prison himself in each case, if they were not in stock, as used to be often the case and had to be purchased from the bazaar. Such sanctions often took several days and in some cases even weeks before they could be obtained. In the meanwhile, you can imagine the psychological effect of such delay in treatment on the minds of prisoners."

"In the jails of the Punjab and U.P. etc., for example, not even sufficient clothing was always available for the prisoners and detenus to ward off the rigours of severe winters in those provinces."

JAIL DIETARY

Dr. Mehta next dealt with jail dietary and referred to the bitter complaints of political prisoners and detenus regarding it. He gave his own personal experiences as a detenu. He quoted the following passage from a letter addressed to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Home Department, on May 14, 1943:—

"The article that is being supplied to us in this prison as milk may be only so-called euphemistically. The supply often consists of 50 per cent water; and at times even 70 per cent of tap water is found added to it. Such milk is really unfit for human consumption. Its specific gravity would often be 1010 and less (even 1005) as against the normal specific gravity of 1027 to 1034 for good milk in India; the specific gravity of water being 1000."

Dr. Mehta remarked in this connection as follows:—

"What nutrition such milk would give to prisoners lying ill in jail hospital with dysentery, pneumonia, typhoid fever, tuberculosis, anaemia, etc., I leave it to you, ladies and gentlemen, and the public to judge. No wonder that the political prisoners and detenus have suffered so heavily in health this time. A small number of them only have come out of jail this time with comparatively unimjured health; quite a larger number having been released either temporarily on parole, or altogether on medical grounds due to shattered health.

MILK ADULTERATION

It was not that sufficient or good milk was not always available in jail. The jail dairy in the Yerawada Central Prison where I was housed during most of the term of my detention this time, used to produce good milk. But quite a substantial part of it, however, went to the jail officials from the Inspector-General of Prisons down. It would ordinarily seem unbelievable that such a highly-paid officer should have felt no hesitation in continuing to procure for his own requirements such excellent milk from the jail dairy—no doubt paying for the same at the jail rates—while prisoners in the jail hospital, suffering from dysentery, enteric fever, pneumonia, tuberculosis, anaemia, etc., could only get highly diluted and adulterated milk, in spite of my having drawn his attention to such terribly bad supply. If he happened to have a party to entertain at his residence, he did not hesitate to indent larger quantities of milk required for the party with the result that on such occasions even the jail officials and their children had to go without milk without any previous intimation. It was only on my continued representation to Government that milk from the jail dairy was ultimately ordered not to be issued to the jail staff, and to be reserved entirely for the use of the prisoners and detenus."

A PAINFUL EXPERIENCE

Dr. Mehta referred in this connection to his painful experience in connection with the illness of the late Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi. He said:

"Some days before the death of Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi, when she took suddenly ill, a consultation was asked for with me, especially as Dr. Gilder, who was detained in the same place as Gandhiji and Kasturba, and myself had often treated her in consultation outside. About eight hours after such request was made, the Inspector General of Prisons took me from the Yerawada Central Prison, where I was detained, to Gandhiji's detention place. While I was examining Kasturba, Gandhiji spoke to the Inspector-General of Prisons enquiring if he could speak to me. That officer refused, saying that he had taken me over there on his own responsibility in view of the urgency of the case and without asking for previous orders of Government and that he could not, therefore, take further responsibility in allowing Gandhiji to speak to me. One would think that the interval of eight hours in taking me for consultation gave sufficient time to ask for such permission on 'phone.

"Ladies and gentlemen, you can visualise the situation. I was taken there for consultation to see an elderly lady who had been so seriously ill, that even the Head of the Jail Department, a Senior Medical Officer himself, felt the need of a second opinion, but her elderly husband could not be permitted to speak about her to the doctor whom he had specially brought over for consultation to see his very ill wife. He could have at least said, 'Yes, you may certainly speak to him, but it should be about Kasturba's health only? No such words fell from his lips, and I drove out of the Aga Khan's Palace very sad at heart."

I. A. M. C. AND I. M. S.

Referring to the Indian Medical Service, Dr. Mehta in conclusion said that now that the I.A.M.C. has been constituted, no occasion remains for the I.M.S. to continue to exist. It should go the way of the Indian Educational Service, which exists no more except for the few officers who still continue to exist, and label themselves I.E.S. having been recruited before that cadre of service was abolished.

There are eleven administrative areas or provinces in the country, each with its own Surgeon-General or Inspector-General of Civil Hospitals. Not a single one of these 11 officers is at present an Indian? Some Indians have held these appointments in the past and held them creditably, both as permanent and as temporary incumbents, though their number has been very small. "But, what do we find in the sixth year of this war with a promise of Dominion Status staring in the face and with a "National Government in India now" according to Lord Wavell consisting "preponderately" of Indian Councillors? We find that not a single Indian Officer holds any of these posts at the present moment. To be precise, I may say that one such post was offered to an Indian I.M.S. officer for the Province of Assam, I believe, but that officer preferred to continue in his present job in the prison department. But what about the other 10 posts? Can it be said that no suitable Indian officer was or is at present available?

MOHARRAM

(Contributed).

The Islamic New Year 'Hijri' 1364 commenced with the first of Mohurram on Monday, the 18th December 1944. "The Islamic New Year is associated with a tragic event unparalleled in the Islamic history or perhaps even in World's history. It is not unknown to students of history that Arabia, prior to the advent of Prophet Mohammed, was deeply immersed in ignorance and religion as such had no place amongst the people there. From time to time, ancient Prophets' messages were delivered to the people of Arabia, including the message of Jesus, but all to no avail. In the 7th century of the Christian era, the message of the Unity of God was delivered by the Holy Prophet Mohammed and as if by magic, within a short space of 23 years, Arabia awoke with astounding energy and knowledge, with the Unity of God and the life after death, and the whole moral fabric of the people was raised very very high.

After the Prophets' death in the 11th year of the 'Hijri' he was succeeded by four Califas who preserved the message and the simple social life in accordance with the teaching of Islam, but by a series of circumstances the message delivered by the Prophet Mohammed came into the hands of Yazid whom history has denounced as a most unprincipled man, more inclined towards the worldly side of life than the higher spiritual side. At this period, Hussain, son of the Prophet's daughter Fatima and Ali, the fourth Islamic califa, who led a peaceful, quiet spiritual life, realised the danger Islam was under if Yazid was allowed to carry on his unspiritual life without remonstrance. Hussain, therefore, declined to accept him as a heir to the spiritual throne of the Prophet and from that day it was the daily thought of Yazid as to how to subdue this Saint of the Hashamite family. Apart from political and religious difference, there was a family rancour in the hearts of the Bani Omeys against the Bani Heshim. Some Mussalmans also realised the danger to Islam and a large section of the public from Iraq requested Hussain to come down there and guide them. At their pressing request Hussain agreed and left his home Madina for Iraq.

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As soon as Yazid learnt this he despatched a large army to subdue Hussain. Hussain with his followers of 70 souls was met by this large army of over 60,000 at a place called Kerbala and was asked to acknowledge Yazid as heir to the temporal and spiritual position of Mohammad. Rather than do anything against his conscience Hussain preferred death and requested his small band of faithful followers to leave him alone and let him alone perish. But the followers who were devoted souls deeply immersed in the spiritual lessons taught by Hussain stuck to him to the last and on the 10th day of Moharram, Al-Hijri 61, corresponding to the 10th of October 680, one after the other of the small band of followers offered themselves as sacrifice for the sake of Truth that has no parallel in the history of mankind. For three followers offered as sacrifice for the days the water of the river Euphratis was cut off from them and on the 3rd day, namely, the 10th day of Moharrum, one by one they faced the enemy and perished, including Hussain's child, six months old for whom Hussain appealed for a drop of water. Even since that day the Muslim world is observing their New Year as a period of profound mourning.

Martyrdom Of Hussein

By Usman H. Uttanwala

The caravan of Islam marched on its long and weary trek towards the desert of Karbala under the leadership of Hazrat Imam-e-Hussein, the grandson of the Holy Prophet, and the son of valiant Ali, the fourth Califa of Islam.

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Imam-e-Hussein preferred to face the army of Yazeed against heavy odds. He, true to his principles, would rather die fighting than surrender to a man with a questionable character. Thus the historic battle of Karbala began, and Hussein and his companion were prevented from getting the water of the stream of "Foorat," the only source from which water could be got.

The whole incident, apparently a defeat, is a triumph over brute force, and upto this day the Mohurrum is observed throughout the Muslim world to commemorate the martyrs of Karbala. Many a pious Muslim observes the first ten days of Mohurrum, by fasting, prayers and alms giving to the poor. Sermons are delivered at important Mohollas, when the incidents of Karbala are narrated to the audiences and the Muslims are exhorted to be be steadfast in time of danger or difficulty.

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But alas in India there are some who, according to the custom handed down since the time of Timur the lame, build Tazias to be taken out in a procession on the tenth day of Mohurrum with all pomp and show. Drums, dancing and drunkenness, to the disgust of the saner element, play a very important part in the Taboot procession which is supposed to be taken out in honour of the martyrs of Karbala! A stranger, not knowing the significance of Mohurrum, on seeing the Tazia procession would, no doubt, come to the conclusion that the procession is taken out to celebrate a joyful event. By some ignorant persons it is actually worshipped—an act foreign to the tenets of Islam. Year in and year out the Moulvis harangue to the audiences that assemble to hear them during Mohurrum, to do away with the Tazia and its procession, but to no avail. It is, therefore, the duty of every young Muslim to see that the Tazia "tamasha" is stopped. They should neither take part in the procession nor should they subscribe to the funds that are being collected for the purpose.

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Nor should the martyrdom of Hussein be made an occasion for mourning and beating of breast so often seen in the country; for, did he not attack the enemy in self-defence and bear the brunt of the attack with an amazing calm and fortitude? The martyrdom of Hussein can never be commemorated either by jubilation or mourning. These acts frustrate the very purpose for which the sacrifice was made.

Hussein, with his comrades, sacrificed his life for a principle—the principle to stand against injustice with a firm will, no matter what the consequences. His stand against Yazeed was a noble example of forbearance, courage and intrepidity in the face of calamity—a stand worthy of emulation.

SABHA LEADERS TO CO-OPERATE WITH SAPRU

Mashriqui To Co-ordinate Work With Conciliation Board

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 26.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru has issued the following statement:—

"I have received letters from Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerji, Mr. V. D. Savarkar and Allama Mashriqui. Dr Mookerji has written to me to say that he will be glad to see me and my Committee but he will write to me fixing the date and the place after the Hindu Mahasabha Conference at Bilaspur.

"Mr. Savarkar whom I had written inviting him to favour the Committee with his views and fix time and place when and where I could see him has written to me to say that he will take some time to send me a detailed reply which he cannot do at present in view of his preoccupations in connection with the session of the Hindu Mahasabha at Bilaspur and sessions for other bodies to be held there.

"Allama Mashriqui has also kindly written to me a personal letter in addition to the circular letter which he has issued to other persons and also in his letter he says that he admits the work which we are doing is going to prove useful in the long run. He has invited us to co-ordinate our work with his in regard to solving the Hindu-Muslim problem.

"There are other numerous letters and memoranda which I have received to which I shall invite the attention of the Committee when it meets at, Delhi."

Sir Tej Bahadur is leaving for Delhi to-morrow afternoon to preside over the Conciliation Committee meeting there on December 29, 30 and 31.—A. P. & U. P.

CHRIST AND GANDHI

Kher's Address At Pastors' Union

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The similarity between the teachings of Jesus Christ and Gandhiji was pointed out by Mr. B. G. Kher this evening addressing a meeting of the Pastors' Union at the Neighbourhood House.

Mr. Kher said that the teachings of Christ were ignored during his day and now also. His teaching to the people not to take thought for the morrow, to love one's enemies, and worship God in spirit and in truth, were professed but not practised. The so-called Christian nations of Europe, on the other hand were busy destroying each other, the innocent and the guilty alike.

He said that by his emphasis on truth, non-violence and non-attachment, Gandhiji resembled Christ. He taught the same sublime sentiments, and he too was ignored and persecuted.

He exhorted the gathering to remember on this auspicious day, the life and the work of Christ and become better Christians. Thus alone they could bring better understanding among different communities, for all great religions taught the same lofty truth.

Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Rev. Deshpande and Father Cyril Whitworth also spoke. Canon Shivkar presided

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

LONDON, Dec. 21—Rumours current in Berlin of a new attempt on Hitler's life are reported in the "Aftonbladet", cables the "News Chronicle" Stockholm correspondent.

These rumours are based on a mysterious fire in Pleasheim Castle, Bavaria, which is believed to be Hitler's headquarters and where, it is known, he lived for some time.—Reuter.

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"Standing on an amphibious jeep", so runs a report of the SEAC Commander's visit to Arakan. "Admiral Mountbatten addressed Indian troops in Urdu....."

Did his Urdu knowing audience understand him, too?

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In his Christmas speech, the King says: "The defeat of Germany and Japan is only the first half of our task, the second is to create a world of free men 'untoched by tyranny'."

AMEN!

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Princes Must Depend On Their People.

—Headline

They do. Else how can they be what they are?

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According to a British Sunday paper Britain's "friends in Europe are inclined to wonder if she has any positive purpose of her own."

They needn't wonder if only they look beyond Europe—South and south-eastwards.

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The news of the Christmas week is, of course, that Mr. Winston Churchill has arrived in Athens. And he is there in order to hold a Round Table Conference with the Greek—er—gangsters and bandits.

Which constitutes the most conclusive proof of Mr. Churchill's ability to respond to peace-and-goodwill requirements—under the force of circumstances.

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Personally, however, we are a little disappointed, too, that Mr. Churchill should have failed to adopt the more effective and more righteous method of dealing with gangsters, bandits and rebels.

We wish he had consulted Lord Linlithgow and Sir Reginald Maxwell and—yes—his own imperialist self.

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Addressing lawyers at Bangalore, Doctor Syed Mahmud recalled the saying that Law (meaning the legal profession) was a very jealous mistress.

And an exorbitantly exacting one, too.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Never hit a man when he's got you down.

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The flush often beats the straight in a political game.

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Don't judge a man by his nose; perhaps it is only sunburned.

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There's usually a vast difference in a man's worth and what he is worth.

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A gas meter is a device that registers the amount of gas you pay for, regardless of the amount you burn.

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It is said that the whale lives to be about 400 years old. People who dislike the idea of parting with a pet after becoming attached to it should procure a young whale.

CUT OUT **R** *AND KEEP*

MILK DISTRIBUTION CENTRES IN A & B WARDS

Below is given the list of Milk Distribution Centres in A and B Wards. The time of distribution at the Morning Centres (given in the left hand column) will be 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and at the Evening Centres (in the right hand column) 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Cut out and preserve this list carefully and when the date is announced in due course, please register the milk ration cards (for children below 6 years of age and expectant and nursing mothers) at any one of these Centres.

A WARD

MORNING CENTRES.	EVENING CENTRES.
A-7 Modikhana Guj. Boys' School.	A-8 Colaba Municipal Dispensary, Rajwadkar Road.
A-9 Lord Harris Marathi Boys' School, Carnac Road	A-10 Bombay Municipality Drainage Department, A Ward Offices, 74, Mint Road.
A-13 B.E.S.T. Electric House.	A-12 Health Department Stables, Falton Road.
A-15 Kabibai Charitable Dispensary, 20, Bora Bazar Street.	A-16 B.E.S.T. Electric House.

B WARD

B-17 Walpakhadi Guj. Boys' School, Mazagaon.	B-18 Kolsa Moholla Municipal District Office, Pydhonie Road.
B-19 Dongri U.P. Marathi Boys' School, Near Chinch Bunder Post Office.	B-20 Nagdevi St. Guj. Girls' School, Ismail Manzil.
B-21 Imamwada U.P. Urdu Girls' School, Jail Road.	B-22 Khoja Moholla Urdu School Nishanpada Road.
B-23 Jafferbhoy Rahimtulla Central Urdu Boys' School, Near Old Umarkhadi Post Office.	B-24 Jairajbhai Peerbhai Guj. Girls' School, 109, Bachuali Road.
B-25 Minara Musjid U. P. Urdu Boys' School, Mohamed Ali Road.	B-26 New Model High School, Dongri St.
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Hindi Journalists Demand Release Of Congress Leaders

CAWNPORE, Dec. 25: The All-India Hindi Journalists' Conference also adopted the following resolutions:—

"This Conference authorises the working President Mr. Ambika Prasad Bajpai, to issue a statement denouncing the policy of the Government of India in continuing the detention of the members of the Congress Working Committee and other Congress leaders."

The statement is to be published in editorial columns in all Hindi papers simultaneously on January 9, 1945.

"This Conference condemns the repression of Hindi news, Press and papers by Government since August, 1942, and authorises its Executive Committee to prepare an account of such repressions."

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Need For Planning On Sociological Basis

Genuine National Govt. Is Pre-requisite To Economic Progress Of Country, Says Sir Manilal Nanavati

NAINI, Dec. 26.

The fundamentals of planning for the development of agriculture in India were dealt with by Sir Manilal B. Nanavati presiding over the fifth Conference of the Indian Society of agricultural economics held here to-day.

The first fact one should bear in mind while planning for rural life was the speaker stated, that the rural population was composed of men of all grades of civilization from the primitive man to highly efficient Kunbi cultivator.

Secondly, within each class or community there were people with special characteristics which react on economic development.

In any scheme of economic planning the social environment within which reforms had to work should be borne in mind. Economic planning in general or planning of agriculture in particular did not take place within a vacuum. Therefore, planning in India should be on a sociological basis covering the whole man and every aspect of his life.

Thirdly all the territories were not of a uniform type. Hence planning must keep in view the needs and possibilities of the different regions.

EXAMINES OTHER PLANS

Examining the various schemes prepared by the Central Government, Provincial Governments and non-official bodies, he said that the memorandum prepared by the Government of India at the Hot-Springs Conference fell short of the higher objective of an all-round socio-economic improvement of rural life which should be India's goal. The Government's plan did not provide for a detailed study of the land conditions nor of the various problems of rural life-social, economic and administrative.

The Bombay Government's plan also did not touch land problems except in respect of the consolidations of holdings. The Ten Thousand Crore Plan mentioned only soil erosion, the liquidation of old debts and the consolidation of holdings or co-operative cultivation.

Mr. M. N. Roy's Plan though having an appreciably wide programme of land reform did not go far enough. The Indian agriculturist is being ground down between evil forces.

There was a primitive land system with a hierarchy of people not interested in the good use of land but having the lion's share in the produce. On the other side there were social customs and laws, which, with the increase in population, aggravated his misery by increasing his indebtedness, by accentuating the subdivision and fragmentation of holdings and by driving him to pass on his lands to the non-cultivating class.

WIDER VISION AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT NEEDED

The problem called for a wider vision and for bolder measures. The first essential was that India must have a vast scheme for re-organising Indian agrarian economy by reconstituting holdings on the bais of peasant proprietorship. The cultivator must be pulled out of the vast tangled web of land tenures and tenancies and take adequate measures to set him on his own.

The speaker was fully convinced that the peasant proprietorship, wisely managed, could give this country yields in no way inferior to those obtainable from large sized farms worked on a joint-stock basis. He regretted that the Government of India were unwilling to face the vital issue, defective land system. The 1935 Act made it incumbent on the Government of India to secure the permission of the Crown before any changes were introduced in the Zamindari system.

The speaker referred to the efforts of the popular Ministries in the provinces and emphasised that a genuine National Government was a pre-requisite to the economic progress of this country. Adequate emphasis had not been laid on the building up of an adequate administrative organisation to study India's rural problems in all their aspects. There was a need to set up a Department of Agriculture at the Centre which should take a full view of all the problems directly or indirectly having a bearing on agriculture. It was necessary to have a network of research organisations under the Centre's guidance for regular collection of precise data on all the aspects of economy.

UNIVERSITIES MUST TAKE LEAD

He also suggested that the various universities should establish chairs in agricultural economics and extend facilities for socio-economics research in the higher stages of post graduate study.

The statistical and other information available at present showed us no more than what floated on the surface. Hence our knowledge on the subject was at present only superficial. The following information should be collected in all provinces and States on a uniform basis. Who owns the land. ii. who cultivates the land and on what terms, iii. what is the equipment of the cultivator. v. what crops be raises and v. what is the approximate value of the produce. All these details were essential for planning.

There must be a rural census which would give a complete idea of the strong and weak points in the social structure of India's rural society.

He concluded that what India needed was a comprehensive plan which would first go to the foundations of India's economic and social structure analysing the root causes of the various evils and providing an adequate organisation for their removal.—A. P.

At the outset he informed the Conference that the suggestion to set apart half of the profits of the Reserve Bank for financing the setting up of the organisation for the development of rural life preferably under the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research was approved by the Police Committee of Agriculture and he was awaiting how the Government of India responded to the proposal. He also reviewed the progress made by the Society during the last four years.

MADRAS, Dec. 26: Mrs. Sarojini Naidu will preside over the third anniversary celebrations of the Andhra Mahila Sabha to be held on the 17th and 18th January. She will arrive in Madras on 17th.—A. P.



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American losses were 2,623 dead, 8,422 wounded and 172 missing.

General MacArthur said: "General Tomokyuki Yamashita has sustained perhaps the greatest defeat in the military annals of the Japanese army."

Two thousand seven hundred and forty-eight Japanese planes have been destroyed in the Philippines since October 28 ,when American landing on Leyte was announced. Forty-one Japanese transports and 27 Warships have been sunk in the same period.

Pearl Harbour, December 25: Iwojima in the Volcanos was shelled says a communique to-night (Monday).

The American warships bombarded the coastal defences of the island against some resistance, but they suffered no damage.—Reuter.

Chinese Will Kill Many Japs

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26.

Mobile Chinese units have attacked Japanese positions north of Hengyang seizing a "large quantity of supplies" and killing a number of Japanese, says the Chinese High Command today reporting scattered clashes from the fronts.

Chinese troops have repulsed a Japanese column which struck out from Lungsheng, about 40 miles north-west Kweilin. Other Chinese units going over to the offensive attacked Japanese positions west of Chuansien, a railway town north-east of Kweilin.

Chinese forces are assaulting Hochih 100 miles west of Liuchow. The Japanese have reinforced their garrison and no substantial change is reported from that front.

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CITY MARKETS

SHARE MARKET

Bombay, Dec. 26

The Share market continues to remain closed and will reopen on 2nd of January, 1945.

Tata Steel Defds are nominally placed around Rs. 2250 and Bombay Dyeings Rs. 1940.

GOLD & SILVER

The market was kept open to-day and due to the war news, the tendency kept firm at the out set but subsequently, the market receded in profit taking. After the recent sharp rise, the technical position has eased off considerably. It being a Bank holiday, there were no offers of either gold or silver from the Reserve Bank.

Gold for delivery after opening at Rs. 76-4 hovered at Rs. 76. Silver was steadier as Rs. 135-4. The market later declined with gold touching Rs. 74-8 and silver Rs. 133-6.

BOMBAY COTTON

The forward cotton market remained open to-day and prices after a lower opening suffered a sharp setback due to long liquidation.

Trading in I.C.C. March commenced at Rs. 443 and the rate declined to Rs. 439-4. May contract was quoted at Rs. 550.

Later on prices eased off to Rs. 438 for March and Rs. 447-8 for May contract due to scattered selling but the market recovered and closed at Rs. 440 for March and Rs. 449 for May.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

Arrivals of cotton in Bombay from 1st Sept. to 21st Dec. 1944, 3,58,193 bales; same period last year 3,60,034 bales.

EXPORTS.

Exports of cotton from Bombay from 1st Sept. to 21st Dec. 1944, 50,244 bales; same period last year 43,356 bales.

CONSUMPTION.

Estimated mill consumption in Bombay from 1st Sept. to 21st Dec. 1944, 4,35,849 bales; same period last year 4,38,795 bales.

STOCK.

Estimated stock of raw cotton in Bombay on 21st Dec. 1944, 8,35,814 bales; same period last year 9,72,824 bales.

CALICUT MARKET.

CALICUT, Dec. 26.

Cocoanuts Raw 62/8, Dry 77, Cocoanut Oil 340, Copra Office 195, Dilpasand 212/8, Madras Nottam 220, Good Gooda 220, Pepper Wynaad 360, Country 337/8, Dry Ginger Chernad 230, Ernad 215, Coffee Robusta 100.

ASSOCIATED CEMENT PAY 64 LAKHS IN TAXES

The following are extracts from the report of the Directors of the Associated Cement Companies for the year ended 31st July, 1944:—

The year's working, after meeting all expenses of operation and management, and after allowing for Depreciation and making provision for Taxation (Rs. 64,12,000) shows a profit of Rs. 85,83,358. To this has to be added the sum of Rs. 1,36,159, being the balance brought forward from last year's Account, making a total of Rs. 87,21,517, out of which the following sums have been appropriated:—

To Workmen's Welfare and Benefit Fund Rs. 55,200; To Bonus to Employees (with previous year's balance of Rs. 20,447, the total Bonus provision will be Rs. 6,40,447) Rs. 6,20,000; To Reserve Fund Rs. 7,00,000. Total Rs. 13,75,200.

This leaves a balance of Rs. 53,46,317 from which the Directors recommend payment of a dividend for the year ended 31st July, 1944 at the rate of Rs. 7 per share (free of Income-tax), which will absorb Rs. 49,37,947, leaving a balance of Rs. 4,08,370 to be carried forward to next year's account.

"Satyavadi" Special Number

We have received a copy of the "Industrial and Commercial Special Number" issued by "Satyavadi" a Marathi weekly of Kolhapur which is edited by Mr. B. A. Patil. It contains several articles on various commercial enterprizes in this country, their growth and development. Industrialization will, undoubtedly, play a prominent part in India's development after the war and the "Satyavadi" special number contains much valuable and informative matter. It is priced at Rs. 5 which is very high.

AIR TRAINING IN INDIAN UNIVERSITIES

NEW DELHI, Dec. 26: The Indian Air Training Corps is being extended to all the 18 Universities of India which include three in Indian States.—A. P.

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Indo-Russian Cultural Relations

Soviet Theatre Section Asks Indian Peoples' Theatre For Co-operation

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We beg to inform you that a Theatre Section has been organised at the U.S.S.R. Society for Cultural Relations with foreign countries. The Members comprise of leading figures in Soviet Theatrical world directors, actors and theatre critics. Ivan Moskvin is the Chairman of the Section and Valeria Barsova, Solomon Mikhoels, Alexis Popov and Alexander Tairov are vice-chairmen.

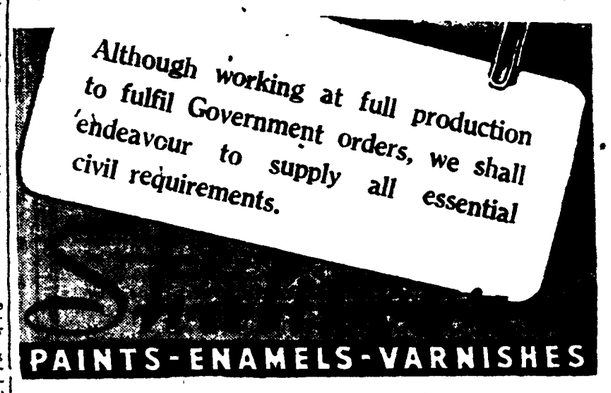
One of the section's aims is to acquaint Soviet theatre workers with life and work of their colleagues in India. The Theatre, section would like to receive material on the ancient and modern theatre in India in form of periodicals photographs, books, albums, etc.

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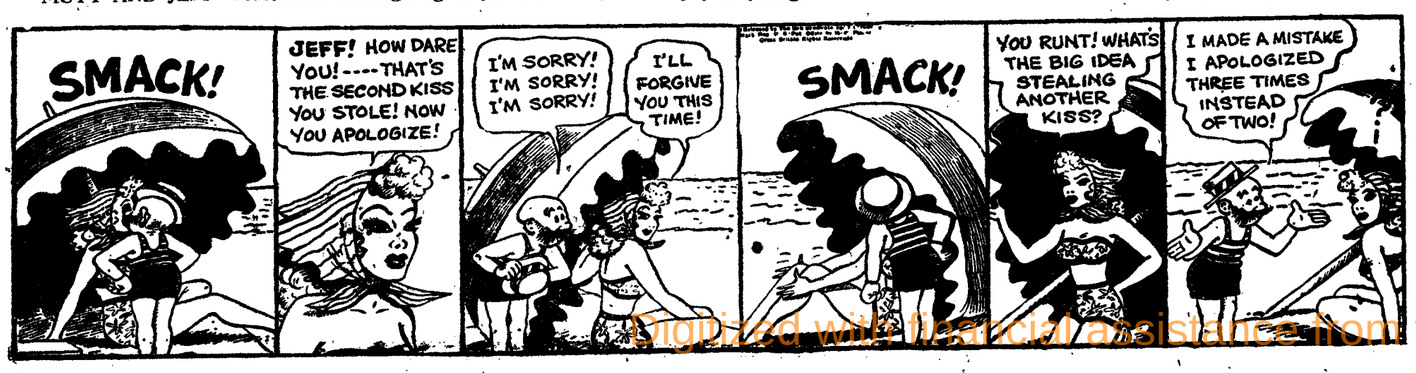
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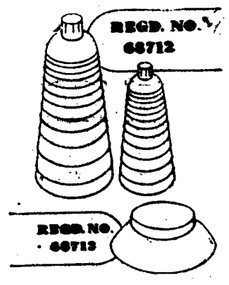
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TEMPORARY TRANSFER RECEIPT No. 1/6571 of the abovementioned company for 50 ordinary shares Nos. 1470001/1470050 standing in the name of Mr. Amulakhray Laxmichand Shah has been LOST and the undersigned has applied to the company for the issue of duplicate of the said temporary transfer receipt.

Any person having any objection to The India United Mills, Ltd., issuing duplicate of the said temporary transfer receipt should lodge such objection with the company at its registered office at E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay within one month from this date; otherwise the company will proceed to issue the duplicate temporary transfer receipt. Dated: 25-12-1944.

(Sd.) AMULAKHRAY LAXMICHAND SHAH.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

OUR CLIENTS Messrs. METROPOLITAN DISTRIBUTORS of P.22, Mission Row Extension, Calcutta, have entered into a contract with Mr. P. N. Ganguly for the purchase of two Hindi talkie cinematographic films entitled "Ashi Ana" and "Modern Lady" directed by Mr. S. Das Gupta and Mr. T. Chakravarty respectively free from all encumbrances whatsoever.

Our clients propose to complete the transaction on the expiry of seven days from the date of publication of this notice.

Any person having any claim against the said films or any of them should communicate with the undersigned within seven days from the date of publication of this notice after which no claim will be entertained.

(Sd.) MUKHERJEE & BISWAS,
Solicitors.
The 21st November, 1944.
10, Old Post Office Street,
Calcutta.
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NOTICE UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 C.P.C.

IN THE COURT of Raja Mohd. Nazir Khan, Senior Sub-Judge Mardan, District Mardan.

Firm Mahesh Das Deviditta Bhasin Cloth Merchants through Deviditta, son of L. Mahesh Das of Domel Ganj, Mardan proprietor and co-sharer ..... Plaintiff

Versus

(1) The Frontier Bank Limited Mardan through Manager Frontier Bank Mardan, (2) The Central Bank of India Ltd., Bombay through the Agent Central Bank of India Ltd., Bombay; (3) Devkaran Nanjee Banking Company Ltd., Bombay through Manager Devkaran Nanjee Banking Coy. Ltd. Thakurdwar Local Office, Bombay; (4) Mr. Gurditta Ram Asanand Bhatia through (a) Prikh Nawis, Gajjar Street, Room No. 32 Bombay and (2) Devkaran Nanjee Banking Company Ltd., Thakurdwar Local Office, Bombay. .... Defendants

Claim for recovery of Rs. 2,200/- principal and interest.

In the above noted case summons for service on defendant No. 4 (Mr. Gurditta Mal Asanand) were issued but correct address could not be found. I am satisfied that summons on defendant No. 4 cannot be served in the ordinary way. Therefore defendant 4 is hereby summoned to appear in this court in person, or by a Pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material question relating to the suit on 20th January, 1945 failing which the case will be heard and decided ex parte against defendant No. 4.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 20th day of December, 1944.

(Sd.) .....
Senior Sub-Judge, Mardan.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals) Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

A PUBLIC AUCTION SALE will be held on FRIDAY, the 29th December, 1944 at M. T. Breakdown Depot, Nasik Road, commencing at 2 p. m. when Ford Chevrolet and other M. T. Parts and Accessories will be offered for sale. List of materials available for disposal may be obtained either from Messrs. Escofally & Co., Government Auctioneers, 3/4 Sadar Bazar, Devlali or from the Controller of Supplies (Disposals), Bombay. The material to be auctioned can be viewed at site by previous arrangement with the Officer-in-charge, M. T. Breakdown Depot Nasik Road.

Conditions governing the Sale will be announced by the Government Auctioneer prior to the Auction sale. (1518)

NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED upto 5-1-1945, by the undersigned for a work costing nearly Rs. 12 Lakhs near Nagpur.

Details regarding the nature of the work and conditions of tender etc. can be obtained from the office of the undersigned by application in person or by duly authorised agent.

P. V. ABRAHAM,
Executive Engineer.
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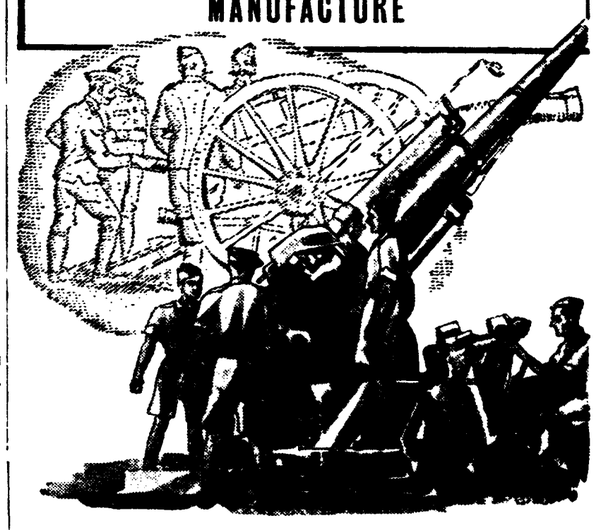
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